## Lark Hill Links

This project was to develop a set of loan boxes for the use of primary schools in Salford.

The LEA was keen to develop creative activities in the classroom and we wished to build up an outreach service. We felt that this project would meet both objectives.

In the longer term we hope to build anew relationships with schools and encourage more of them to visit us.

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The first step was to hold a planning meeting with teachers. By working through the LEA I was able to host a meeting of History co-ordinators at the Museum. This was attended by twenty-eight teachers and really helped to sort out what the contents of the boxes should be.

A local artist was commissioned to produce a master for the boxes, which were moulded in fibreglass. Each box contained a variety of resources including objects, images, suggestions for activities and audio C.D's.

The project has enabled us to build new links with local teachers and schools. The response from pupils and teachers has been very positive. The teachers involved now understand what resources the museum can offer and the boxes continue to be in high demand. "Excellent! The box is fantastic and grabs the children's interest immediately. Big wow! "

Nicola Warner, Trainee Teacher Broughton Jewish Primary, Salford.